

D. FLAXSEED

Established effective August 1, 1934

Amended effective July 1, 1935

1. Required that dockage be expressed in whole percent instead of in whole and half percent.
2. Changed the basic method for determining moisture from the Brown-Duvel to the air-oven method or any method giving similar results.

Amended effective February 8, 1961

Provided that the term D.L.Q. (Distinctly low quality) be construed to include flaxseed which contains more than two crotalaria seeds in 1,000 grams.

Revised effective July 15, 1965

1. Lowered the maximum moisture limits in the numerical grades from 11.0 percent to 9.5 percent.
2. Provided maximum limits for heat-damaged flaxseed of 0.2 percent in grade No. 1 and 0.5 percent in grade No. 2. The previous standards had no limit for this factor.
3. Reduced maximum limits of damaged flaxseed in grade No. 1 from 20 percent to 10.0 percent and in grade No. 2 from 30 percent to 15.0 percent.
4. The definition of Sample grade was made more specific by including castor beans, crotalaria seed, stones, unknown foreign substances, and commonly recognized harmful or toxic substances.
5. The flaxseed standards were recodified in the interest of clarity and to conform to the codification used in the wheat standards.

Amended effective February 28, 1970

Provided that the prefix U.S. be shown on all official grain grades.

Amended effective January 8, 1974

The name of the flaxseed standards changed from "Official Grain Standards of the United States for Flaxseed" to "United States Standards for Flaxseed."

Amended effective September 8, 1977 (42 FR 30146, 6/13/77)

Certification requirements were changed so that a lot would be certificated:

1. As being of a specific U.S. grade, or
2. As being equal to or better in quality, as defined by the U.S. Standards for Flaxseed, than the grade specified by the contract; i.e., U.S. No. 2 or better, U.S. No. 3 or better, etc.

Amended effective October 28, 1983 (48 FR 44167, 9/28/83)

Changed inspection procedures so the determination of odor may be performed either prior to or after mechanical cleaning of the sample.

Revised effective July 13, 1986 (49 FR 49427, 12/20/84)

1. Updated the format of the standards to conform to other grain standards.
2. Deleted moisture content as a criterion in designating flaxseed Sample grade.
3. Included in the definition of Sample grade specific limits for stones, pieces of glass, castor beans, particles of an unknown foreign substance(s) or a commonly recognized harmful or toxic substance(s), rodent pellets, bird droppings, and other animal filth.
4. Deleted flaxseed from § 810.901 Interpretation with respect to the term D.L.Q. (Distinctly low quality) and included the numerical limit for crotalaria seeds in the Sample grade definition.

Revised effective June 30, 1987 (52 FR 24418, 6/30/87)

1. Removed rounding procedures for inclusion into Subpart A, General Provisions.